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June 1954

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 8-1-60 Call letters WWSH (EFF: 12-14-70)
X WQAL

WWSH, INC (AL-7-12-77 EFF. 1-3-78) Station location Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

X UNITED ARTISTS BROADCASTING, INC. (VOL. AL & SCA 8-26-70 EFF: 9-30-70)

X GEORGE VORON CO. (APH 7-21-59 EFF: 7-23-59)

X GEORGE VORON AND ABE J. VORON, d/b as GEORGE VORON AND COMPANY

Name of licensee

1230 East Mermaid Lane, Wyndmoor, Pennsylvania (BSH-10-16-70)

X 1230-1300 East Mermaid Lane, Wyndmoor, Pennsylvania (BTP-5-14-59)

Transmitter location X PSFS Building, 12 South 12th St. Philadelphia, Pa.

555 City Line Avenue, Lower Merion Township, Pennsylvania (MLH-10-26-70)

X 1230 East Mermaid Lane, Wyndmoor, Pennsylvania (BSH-10-16-70)

X 1230-1300 E. Mermaid Lane, Wyndmoor - -, Pennsylvania (BTP-5-14-59)

Main studio location Same as xmtr.

(Description: 8-1-60)

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	ERP Power	Time Div.	Period From - To
BPH-2249	9-19-57	106.1mc	20 kw	U	11-19 5-19-58
		HAAT 480' Ch 291 RC point at main studios CP for new FM broadcast station			Cond'1.
BSCA-102	1-3-58	SCA, approx. 29 kc Multiplex. Condition.			
BMPH-5207	4-28-58	Ext. completion date to			11-19-58
BSCA-102	9-30-58	Mod. SCA to delete condition to (see auth)			
EMPH-5326	10-31-58	Ext. completion date to			5-19-59.
		#2.			
BMPH-5453	5-14-59	Mod. of cp. BPH-2249) to inc. HAAT:710' dec. ERP to 7.8-kw. chg. trans. loc. to: 1300 Mermaid Lane, Wyndmoor, Pa. chg. ant. to: RCA BFA-2A, 2-se chg. trans. to: RCA BTF-5B).			
BMPH-5476	5-14-59	Extension of completion date to 9-19-59			
BASCA-27	7-21-59	Voluntary assignment of construction permit to GEORGE VORON CO. (&SCA)			
	7-23-59	Mod. CP to change antenna system, antenna location, ERP and HAAT. 106.1mc., 7.7kw. Unl.			
BMPH-5597	8-28-59	Extension of completion date to 11-19-59			
		(2)			
BLH-1472	8-1-60	Lic. to cover cp(BPH-2249 as mod.) which authorized a new FM b/c station.			8-1 8-1-63
		106.1mc ERP:7.7kw; HAAT:710'; TPO:3.2kw			
BRCH-357	1-2-62	Mod. of license to operate transmitter by remote control from 1230 E. Mermaid Lane, Wyndmoor, Pennsylvania.			
		(1)			
BRH-1066	7-29-63	106.1	7.7 kw	U	8-1 8-1-66
BRSCA-102	7-29-63	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (SCA)			
		8-1 8-1-66			
BRSCA-192	6-18-66	Mod. of SCA to delete operation on sub-carrier frequency of 29kc and operate on sub-carrier frequency of 67kc.			
BRH-1066	7-29-66	RENEWAL OF LICENSE & SCA			
		8-1 8-1-69			
BRSCA-102					

Form BC 126

June 1954

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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed

Call letters WQAL

Station location

Name of licensee GEORGE VORON CO.

Transmitter location

Main studio location

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Inv.	Period	
					From	To
BRH-1066()	7-24-69	Renewal			8-1-72	
BASCA-102	7-7-69	Renewal	SCA		8-1-72	
BALH-1328 BASCA-394	8-26-70	VOL. AL & SCA		EFF: 9-30-70		
BSH-1066 (1)	10-16-70	whg. trans, studio & remote control location description.				
BMLH-364 (2) COND'L	10-26-70	Mod of license to chg studio & RC loc.				
BPH-7284 HAAT: 740' (h&v) COND'L	11-27-70	106.1mc	ERP: 19kw (h&v)	Ch#291	TPO: 14.5kw	RC 1-27 11-27-71
CP install new trans & ant. make chgs in ant system. chg. TPO, ERP and HAAT. operate with vert. ERP and HAAT.						
BLH-5030(L)	2-6-71	Lic. (BPH-7284) for changes 8-1-72 (Main Trans.)				
BLH-5068(L)	3-31-71	1-Lic. to use former Main Trans. & Ant.; 2-Lic. to use Main Trans. & Aux. Ant. 3-Lic. to use Aux. Trans. & Main Ant. For Auxiliary Purposes Only. 8-1-72				
BPH-7763(L) HAAT: 720'	2-22-72	106.1mc #291	ERP: 12kw	2-22-73 CP to increase TPO of Aux. Trans., to 5kw; feeding both Main and Aux. Ant.		
BLH-5432(L)	5-16-72	Lic (BPH-7763) for changes 8-1-72 106.1mc 6.6kw H&V 740' H&V Aux. T & Main 12kw, 720' Aux. T & Aux. Ant.				
EBSA	5-22-72					
BRH-1066(4)	4-30-75	RENEWAL	(MAIN & AUX. & ANTS.)		8-1-75	
BRH-1066(S)	10-7-75	Renewal	(Main & AUX. TRANS & ANT)		8-1-78	
BPH-9724 HAAT: 740'	8-24-76	106.1MHz	ERP: 22.5kw (H&V)	8-24-77 CP chg TPO & ERP (RC)		
BLH-7192(L)	1-31-77	Lic. (BPH-9724) for chgs. 8-1-78 (MAIN TRANS. & ANTENN, AS)				
BALH-2490	7-12-77	VOL. AL	EFF,	1-3-78		

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BC-126
June 1975

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 8-1-60

Call letters WWSH

Station location PHILADELPHIA,
PENNSYLVANIA

Name of licensee WWSH, INC.

Transmitter location SEE CARD #1

Main studio location _____

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From To
BRH-1066	7-20-78	(L) REN. OF LIC.		(MAIN & AUX. & ANTENNAS)	8-1-81
BTCH79053	4-28-80	VOL TO. EFF:			
402(b) Court Appeal filed 5-29-80					

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

FORMERLY FORM A-170

GEORGE VORON AND ABE J. VORON, d/b as

Call
LettersWQAL
~~NEW~~

Name

GEORGE VORON AND COMPANY

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BFH-2249 Recd Filed	8-5-57 8-9-57 8-9-57	CP for new FM B/c Station: Freq: 106.1 mc; Ch. 291 ERP: 20 kw, Unlimited time. HAAT: 479' T-L: 12 So. 12th St. PSFS Bldg. Philadel- phia, Pa. S-L: Same as xmtr. RC same as Studio	GRANTED Cond'l re	9-19-57 transmitter.
BSCA-102 Recd Filed	8-7-57 8-9-57 8-9-57	Subsidiary Communications authorization	GRANTED	1-3-58
BMPH-5207 Rec'd & Filed	4-2-58 4-7-58	Modification of c.p. (BPH-2249 which author- ized a new FM-Broadcast station) for extension of completion date from 5-19-58 to 11-19-58. Atty's: Kirkland, Fleming, Green, Martin & Ellis	GRANTED	4-28-58

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
EMPH-5326 Rec'd Filed	10-16-58 10-17-58 10-17-58	Modification of C.P. (BPH-2249 which authorized a new FM Broadcast Station) for extension of completion date from 11-19-58 to 5-19-59. Percy H. Russell, Atty.	GRANTED	10-31-58
EMPH-5453 Rec'd Filed	3-18-59 3-19-59 3-19-59	Modification of c.p. (BPH-2249 as mod., which authorized a new FM Broadcast Station) to decrease ERP from 20kw to 7.5kw; increase HAAT from 480' to 710'; change trans. loc. from PSFC BLDG., 12 South 21th St., Philadelphia, Pa. to 1300 E. Mermaid Lane, Wyndmoor, Pa.; change type antenna (RSA-BFA-5A-5-see.) and change type trans. (RCA BTF-5B). Aloysius B. McCabe, Atty. A.D. Ring, Engrs.	GRANTED HAAT: ERP:	5-11-59 710' 7.8-kw.

*See Amend. on Page 3

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Name GEORGE VORON AND ABE J. VORON d/b as GEORGE VORON AND COMPANY

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
*Amended R & F	4-2-59 4-7-59	Amended to increase ERP from 7.5 to 7.8; decrease HAAT from 720' to 707' and change type antenna (RCA BFA-2A 2 sec.).	Granted	5-14-59
BMPH-5476 Rec'd Filed	4-15-59 4-16-59 4-16-59	Modification of c.p. (BPH-2249 as mod., which authorized a new FM Broadcast Station) for extension of completion date from 5-19-59 to 11-19-59. Percy H. Russell, Atty.	GRANTED to 9-19-59 Issued with BMPH-5453	5-14-59
BMPH-5546 Rec'd & Filed	6-19-59 6-22-59	Modification of c.p. (BPH-2249 as modified which authorized a new FM broadcast station) to decrease ERP from 7.8kw to 7.7kw; increase HAAT from 710' to 715'; change studio location from 12 South 12th Street, Phil., Pa., to 1300 E. Mermaid Lane, Wyndmoor, Pa., and make changes in antenna system. Kirkland, Ellis, Hodson, Chaffetz, & Masters Attys. F. C. C. WASHINGTON, D. C.	GRANTED HAAT: 720'	7-27-59

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
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BAPH-206 Rec'd Filed	7-2-59	Voluntary assignment of construction permit to George Voron Co. Aloysius B. McCabe, Atty.	GRANTED	7-21-59
	7-6-59		EFF:	7-23-59
	7-6-59			
BASCA-27 Rec'd. Filed	7-14-59	Voluntary assignment of Subsidiary Communi- cation Authorization to George Voron Co. Aloysius B. McCabe, Atty	GRANTED	7-21-59
	7-15-59		EFF:	7-23-59
	7-15-59			
EMPH-5597 R & F	8-13-59	Mod. of c. p. (BPH-2249 as mod. which auth. new FM b/c station) for extension of completion date from 9-19-59 to 11-19-59 . Percy Russell, Atty	GRANTED to	8-28-59
	8-17-59			11-19-59
B LH-1472 R & F	10-26-59	License to cover C.P. (BPH-2249 as modified) which authorized construction of a new FM Broadcast Station. Atty. Percy Russell	GRANTED	8-1-60
	10-28-59			

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Letters WQALName GEORGE VORON CO.
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRCH-357 Rec'd Filed	12-27-61 12-28-61 12-28-61	Modification of license to operate transmitter by remote control from 1230 E. Mermaid Lane, Wyndmoor, Pennsylvania.	GRANTED	1-2-62
BRH-1066 R & F BRSCA-102	4-27-63 4-29-63 4-27-63	Renewal of License Atty. Aloysius B. McCabe Renewal of Licenses (SCA)	GRANTED	7-29-63
PRH-1066 R & F BRSCA-102 R & F	4-21-66 4-26-66 4-21-66 4-26-66	Renewal of license Renewal of SCA Atty- Kirkland, Ellis, Hodson, Chaffetz & Masters (Aloysius B. McCabe)	GRANTED	7-29-66
BMSCA-192 R & F	5-2-66 5-4-66	Modification of Subsidiary Communications Authorization to delete operation on subcarrier frequency of 29kcs and operate on subcarrier frequency of 67kcs. Kirkland, Ellis, Hodson, Chaffetz & Masters, Attys. (A.B. McCabe) F.C.C. - WASHINGTON, D. C.	GRANTED	6-16-66

FORM BC-121 #6
Aug. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

FM

UNITED ARTISTS BROADCASTING, INC.

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GEORGE VORON CO.

Name PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRH-1066 BRSCA-102 R & F #508478 \$105. PRESS	4-21-69 4-21-69 4-21-69 4-21-69 AUG 30 1965	Renewal of License Renewal of SCA Atty-Aloysius B. McCabe	GRANTED	7-24-69
EALH-1328 BASCA-394 R & F FEE PD: \$105 -#581519 Pub. not filed 3-26-70	2-27-70 3-2-70 MAR 27 1970	Voluntary assignment of license and SCA to UNITED ARTISTS BROADCASTING, INC. Atty for assignor - A.B. McCabe for assignee - Arent, Fox etc	GRANTED	8-26-70
	4-1-70 4-30-70 5-14-70 8-6-70	to reflect cancellation of TV KUAB (CP)(assignee) Cert. of auth. db in Penna; & reflect granted TC re WRIK-TV info re Sec.II of WJMY(TV)(BAPCT-461) incorporated by reference. revised Sec.II(updated); BAPCT-461 dismissed	SCA CANCELLED request of atty.	11-16-70
			EFF:	9-30-70
				8-10-70

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call WWSH
Letters ~~WQAB~~

Name United Artists Broadcasting, Inc.
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMLH-364 R & F <u>#637695 \$50</u> CODE: 061 PRESS: OCT 2 1970	10-16-70 10-16-70 10-16-70	Modification of License change studio & Remote Control location to 555 City Line Avenue, Lower Merion Township, Pennsylvania; REQUEST WAIVER OF SECTION 73.210(a)(2) of the COMMISSION'S RULES. Atty - Peter Tannenwald(Arent, Fox etc.)	GRANTED COND'L Provisions of section 73.210 of the Commission's rules.	10-26-70
BPH-7284 R & F <u>#637698 \$50</u> CODE: 061 PRESS: OCT 2 3 1970	10-16-70 10-16-70 10-16-70	CP install new trans(RCA-BTF-20E1); new Ant (RCA-BFC-3B, 3 sects); make chgs. in Ant. system(incr. hght); chg. TPO: 14.3kw; ERP: 18.85kw; operate with vert. ERP: 18.85kw; chg. HAAT: 738 ft.; operate with vert. HAAT: 738 ft. Atty - Peter Tannenwald(Arent, Fox etc.) Engr- Kear and Kennedy	GRANTED COND'L Subject a grant of this application does not preclude station WHBI. Section 73.210 of the Commission's Rules. studio beyond the city limits.	11-27-70

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Letters WWSH

Name UNITED ARTISTS BROADCASTING, INC.
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BLH-5030 Rec'd #652835 \$50. AC-068 Amended & F PTA PRESS JAN 28 1971	12-24-70 12-24-70 12-24-70 1-7-71 1-14-71	Lic.(BPH-7284) for changes. Atty: Peter Tannenwald(Arent, Fox, etc.) Revised Sect. II-B, Engr. data.	GRANTED	2-5-71
BLH-5068 Rec'd #665270 \$50. AC-068 Amended & F PTA PRESS MAR 29 1971	2-16-71 2-18-71 2-18-71 3-2-71* 3-8-71	#1-License to use former Main Trans & ant. (trans: RCA, BTF-5B, ant: RCA, BFA-3A); #2 Lic. to use Main Trans. & Aux. ant. (trans: RCA, BTF-20E-1-ant: RCA, BFA-3A) & to use Aux. #3 Lic. Trans. & Main ant. (trans: RCA, BTF-5B-ant: RCA, BFC-3B) for Auxiliary Purposes Only. *sep. sections II-B for Main Trans. & Aux. ant. & Aux. Trans & Main Ant. Atty: Peter Tannenwald(Arent, Fox, etc.)	GRANTED	3-31-71

BRH-1066 PETITION TO PREVENT CONTINUED VIOLATION OF
COMMISSION'S EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES RULES filed
7-3-72 by Communications Coalition; Congress of
African People & Black Affairs Council

MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE REPLY filed 7-26-72
by Coalition

Ltr. 5-10-73 ~~SKM~~ Station is Now Represented by the Firm:
PIERSON, BALL & DOWD
Harold David Cohen, Esq.
1000 Ring Building
Washington, D. C. 20036
(402) 338-2566

SUPPLEMENT TO PETITION TO PREVENT CONTINUED VIOLATION OF
COMMISSIONS EEO RULES filed 5-21-74 by Petitioners
OPPOSITION TO MOTIONS TO STRIKE AND REPLY TO OPPOSITIONS
TO PETITIONERS SUPPLEMENT TO THEIR PETITION TO PREVENT
CONTINUED VIOLATIONS OF COMMISSIONS EEO RULES filed
6-12-74 by Petitioners

SUPPLEMENT TO OPPOSITION TO MOTIONS TO STRIKE AND REPLY TO
OPPOSITIONS TO PETITIONERS' SUPPLEMENT TO THEIR PETITION TO
PREVENT CONTINUED VIOLATION OF COMMISSIONS EEO RULES filed
6-25-74 by Petitioners

AMENDED 6-26-74 re: statement on Supplement to Petition
filed by Petitioners

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call
Letters WWSHName UNITED ARTISTS BROADCASTING, INC.
PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRH-1066 R & F PN Recd. PRESS	3-27-75 4-1-75 " MAY 22 1975	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (MAIN & AUXILIARY TRANSMITTERS & ANTENNAS) Brian A. Johnson, Atty. (Pierson, Ball & Dowd) AMENDED 5-12-75 re: business interests	GRANTED	10-7-75
BPH-9724 R & F 577183#100 CODE 001 PRESS	5-28-76 6-8-76 6-9-76 AUG 13 1976	CP chg TPO & ERP: 22.4kw H&V Atty. Harrison T. Slaughter Engr. Smith & Powstenko	GRANTED	8-24-76
BLH-7192 R & F #618346\$100 Code 001 PTA PRESS	9-21-76 9-24-76 9-28-76 10-6-76 NOV 23 1976	Lic. (BPH-9724) for changes. Atty: Harrison T. Slaughter (Pierson, Ball, et al)	GRANTED	1-31-77

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call
Letters WWSH

WWSH, INC.

Name United Artists Broadcasting, Inc.
Philadelphia, Penna.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BALH-2490 R & F (FORM 314) Pub notice MAY 24 1977	4-15-77	Voluntary assignment of license to WWSH, INC. Atty for assignor - Pierson, Ball & Dowd for assignee - Dow, Lohnes & Albertson AMENDED 5-4-77 to reflect pending BALH-2468 (assignee) (WJF) Ltr from atty filed 7-1-77 re grant & consummation of WLIF Ltr from atty Rafter filed 8-11-77 to reflect civil litigation Over	GRANTED	7-12-77
	4-19-77		EFF.	1-3-78
BRH-1066 R & F Pub. Notice	3-20-78 4-3-78 APR 15 1978	Renewal Of License (Main & Aux. & Antennas) Atty- Suzanne Meyer	GRANTED	7-20-78

BALH-2490 - AMENDED 6/27/77 - Financial data; to reflect litigation; Agreement of Merger; to show BALH-2468 was gr 5/17/77(WLIF) & map showing no overlap & Cert. to do bus in Pa.

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call
Letters WVSH

Name WVSH, INC.
Philadelphia, Penna.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BTCH790531GI FORM 315 PRESS: TN FILED 6-25-79	JUN 28 1979	Vol-48 from Cox Broadcasting Corporation to GESUB of Delaware, Inc. OR General Electric Company - (SEE WLIF FOR EXPLANATION) Mutually contingent on gr of WLIF, etc Atty for transferor - Dow, Lohnes & Albertson for transferee - Robert W. Coll *Vol TC from Cox Broadcasting Corporation to either Cox Broadcasting Corporation (as a wholly owned subsidiary of General Electric Company) or, in the alternative, to GESUB of Delaware, Inc. (a wholly owned subsidiary of General Electric Company) (SEE OVER)	GRANTED	4-28-80

RE: BTCH/GI

ACCEPT TRANSACTION AS STATED-Per Roy Stewart, Chief,
Transfer Branch

AMENDED 8-16-79 re: corrections in merger plan; chges in
programming & pending litigation

5-28-80

PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION filed by Dow Lohnes &
Albertson on behalf of Cox Broadcasting Corporation
Cox Family Shareholders.

CONDITIONAL PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION FILED 5-29-80
by Charles M. Firestone Counsel for NAACP/ACLU

VBTC PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION FILED 5-29-80 by Lee
G. Lovett on behalf of Virginia Beach Telecommunications
Corp.

VBTC PETITION FOR STAY FILED 5-29-80 by Lee G. Lovett
on behalf of Virginia Beach Telecommunications Corp.

PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION FILED 5-29-80 by Marcus
Garvey Wilcher, Chairman on behalf of Community
Coalition for Media Change

RESPONSE OF GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY TO VBTC PETITION FOR
STAY FILED 6-5-80 by James A. McKenna, Jr. on behalf
of General Electric Company

VBTC OPPOSITION TO COX PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION
filed 6-10-80 by Lee G. Lovett on behalf of Virginia
Beach Telecommunications Corporation

Response of General Electric Company to Petition for
Reconsideration filed 6-12-80 by James A. McKenna, Jr. on
behalf of General Electric Company

REPLY OF COX BROADCASTING CORPORATION AND COX FAMILY
SHAREHOLDERS TO VIRGINIA BEACH TELECOMMUNICATIONS CORP-
ORATION OPPOSITION TO PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION FILED
6-20-80 by John A. Rafter on behalf of Cox Broadcasting
Corporation Cox Family Shareholders

APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING

Call Letters: WWSH

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Name: WWSH, Inc.

Station Location: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BRH810401YX PRESS MAY 28 1981 PN FILED		RENEWAL OF LICENSE Atty. Arnold P. Lutzker	<i>at d. 7-7-81</i> GRANTED 7-7-81

BTCH790531G1

NOTION FOR ACCEPTANCE OF LATE FILED PLEADINGS FILED
6-30-80 by Werner K. Hartenberg on behalf of Cox
B/casting Corp.

RESPONSE OF COX BROADCASTING CORPORATION CONDITIONAL
PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION FILED 6-30-80 by William P.
Sims on behalf of Cox B/casting Corp.

VBTC REPLY TO COX OPPOSITION TO PETITION FOR RECONSIDERA-
TION filed 7-9-80 by Lee G. Lovett on behalf of Virginia
Beach Telecommunications Corporation

REPLY TO RESPONSE TO CONDITIONAL PETITION FOR RECONSIDERA
TION filed 7-10-80 by Charles M. Firestone on behalf of
ACLU/NAACP

About the History Cards ...

History Cards were first used by the Department of Commerce to keep track of applications filed by, and changes to, the earliest AM broadcast stations in the early 1920s. The records were subsequently transferred to the Federal Radio Commission in 1927, and after that to the Federal Communications Commission when that agency was created in 1934. These cards gradually grew into a large card file.

FM History Cards were initiated in the early 1940s, with the authorization of the earliest FM stations in the FM band, then at 42 to 50 MHz. (The band was shifted to its present location, 88 to 108 MHz, in 1946.) History Cards remained in use until the creation of the first computerized database in 1980 to track broadcast applications, the Broadcast Application Processing System (BAPS). However, the Commission did not transfer the data from the History Cards to the new system. Instead, it retained the History Cards in their original form for reference.

In 1999, the Commission moved to a new location (445 12th Street SW), and also at that time created the successor database to BAPS, the Consolidated DataBase System (CDBS). Prior to that move, the History Cards were transferred to microfiche by a contractor (only a few sets of microfiche exist), and the original paper cards were destroyed. The History Cards were stored on the microfiche as negative images, like those you see above.

History Cards contain very brief entries and notes about station facilities, applications, and ownership. They are not, and never were intended to be, a comprehensive record of a station's operations. Nevertheless, they can be useful to help determine, for example, when a station first went on the air and its call letters at that time. History Card comments were generally typed onto the cards, and thus some records will show more faintly or with more smudging than others, depending on the quality of typewriter and ribbon then used. Occasional handwritten comments, corrections, and strikeouts may also be found. Cards may be incomplete, missing, or occasionally out of sequence.

The History Cards are presented here as they were copied to microfiche, to preserve this record for public use, and with the hope that they will be of value to future researchers of radio station history.

